IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

CV 02-895-BR M.D.,)) Plaintiff, ORDER) v.) CORPORATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY) SAINTS AND SUCCESSORS, a Utah corporation sole; CASCADE) PACIFIC COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS) OF AMERICA, an Oregon) public benefit corporation;) and BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,) a congressionally chartered corporation, authorized to) do business in Oregon,))

Defendants.

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BROWN, Judge.

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff's Motion to Remand (#8).

Plaintiff brought this action in Multnomah County Circuit
Court for the State of Oregon on May 29, 2002, against

Defendants Corporation of the President of the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-Day Saints (the Church), Cascade Pacific

Council [of the] Boy Scouts of America (Cascade Pacific), and

Boy Scouts of America (BSA). On July 3, 2002, Defendant

Church filed its Notice of Removal in which it asserted this

Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action

pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331.

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On September 4, 2002, this Court issued its Opinion and Order in B.B. v. Corporation of the President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, CV 02-80-BR, and granted Plaintiffs' Motion to Remand. The Church admits its arguments here "closely track" the arguments asserted in opposition to remand in B.B. and concedes the Court's decision in B.B. determines the issues in this case as well. Plaintiff agrees B.B. controls and requires remand.

The Court finds the allegations in this case are substantially the same as those made by the plaintiffs in B.B. For the reasons set forth in B.B., the Court concludes it lacks subject matter jurisdiction over this action. The Court, therefore, **GRANTS** Plaintiff's Motion to Remand (#8).

Accordingly, the Court **REMANDS** this matter to the Multnomah County Circuit Court of the State of Oregon.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 6th day of November, 2002.

ANNA J. BROWN
United States District Judge

¹ Defendants Cascade Pacific and BSA joined in the Church's Memorandum in Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion to Remand.